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MEMORANDUM FOR: Project Personnel Officer

SUBJECT : Trip Insurance for Military Air Transport Service
(Mutual of Omaha)

1. The attached news release, dated 27 February 1956, from Headquarters, Military Air Transport Service, USAF, was sent to me by Mr. Lawrence R. Houston, CIA General Counsel, as a matter of possible interest to this Headquarters. You will note that it covers in some detail the plan worked out by MATS with Mutual of Omaha for making air travel insurance at regular commercial rates available to military personnel, dependents, and all other civilians riding as passengers on MATS scheduled flights. It further points out that merchandising installations and arrangements at MATS terminals are expected to be completed in April 1956. It is also expected that in the near future passengers will be able to gain coverage under the new policy at any major civil air terminal.

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2. I should like to request that you look into this matter more fully with [redacted] Deputy Chief, MPD, to see if we cannot speedily buy into this arrangement. I would hope that you could complete your investigation in time for us to make this insurance available to Detachment A personnel traveling overseas on or about 1 May and possibly even sooner to cover all personnel riding the regularly scheduled MATS shuttle flight servicing the Project field installation. Since the rates for the proposed insurance are identical with those currently in effect for air travel insurance on commercial airlines, and, as I understand this proposal, cover travel on commercial lines as well, this should go far to solve one of the areas of unrest which we have experienced in the past, particularly regarding the question of insurance on our local MATS shuttle.

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Director of Administration
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